

Major and Minor Tanks in Bangalore District.

Q.—218. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the total number of Major and Minor tanks in Bangalore District ;

(b) the number of tanks that are under management of the Revenue and Public Works Department ;

(c) whether they are aware that tanks under Revenue Management are badly in need of repairs and restoration ;

(d) Whether they intend to transfer the management of all the Major and Minor tanks to the management of the P.W.D. and if so, when and if not why ?

A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Deputy Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(a) Major tanks ... 333

Minor tanks ... 1,374

(b) P.W.D. ... 10

Revenue. ... 1,697.

(c) It is not true that all tanks under the management of the Revenue Department are badly in need of repairs.

(d) This is under examination.

Families residing in the Markonahally Agricultural Colony.

Q.—253. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of families residing in the Markonahally Agricultural Colony ;

(b) the extent of land granted to them, and on what condition ?

A.—Sri H. C. BORAI AH (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) Twelve Colonists have been actually residing at the Colony and five residing at nearby village.

(b) Nine acres of wet land have been given to each of them and dry land has also been given to them. Some have been given five acres of

dry land, some a little less and three have not been given at all according to the availability. The conditions on which they have been given land are as follows:—

- (1) Persons who have read up to S.S.L.C. standard and who are either Graduates in Agriculture or have passed out of the Agricultural Schools may be taken as colonists.
- (2) The prescribed qualifications of Agricultural training to be relaxed in case of Backward Communities. However, the general educational qualifications up to S.S.L.C. course be insisted upon.
- (3) Deposit to be made by each colonist will be Rs. 750.
- (4) The advance made to the colonists will carry no interest for the first four years and will bear $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent interest thereafter.
- (5) The balance of advance after adjustment will be recovered in five equal annual instalments after the fourth year.
- (6) But, if the Colonists select to purchase the land, the purchase price will include the balance of advance that may be due by them.
- (7) The Colonists who are unable to offer a cash security of Rs. 750, security of property of double the value of Mysore Government securities of the same value of two personal sureties should be furnished by the Colonists for loans granted to them under the scheme.

Moneys invested by Government in the Tumkur Central Co-operative Bank.

Q.—296. Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Sira).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

- (a) the moneys invested by them in the Tumkur Central Co-operative Bank and the control they exercise over this Bank;
- (b) the number of Directors nominated by them as the Directorate of the said Bank?

A.—Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE (Minister for Co-operation and Development).—

(a) A sum of Rs. 13,49,000 has been invested by way of share capital of the Bank, and control is exercised through inspection, supervision and audit. Besides the Secretary of the Bank is a departmental Gazetted Officer, who is the Chief Executive Officer in day-to-day affairs of the Bank.

(b) Three.